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SUBJECT: CSCE/CBMS: POSSIBLE NEUTRAL/NON-ALIGNED CBM

INITIATIVES: AUSTRIA

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1. ON SEPTEMBER 23 WE QUESTIONED MFA CSCE AFFAIRS SECTION HEAD MINISTER LIEDERMANN WHETHER GOA WAS CONSIDERING ANY INITIATIVES OR PROPOSALS ALONG LINES OF ITEMS 3, 4 AND 5 OF PARA 15.B. OF REFTEL. LIEDERMANN INDICATED, AS INITIAL REACTION, THAT AS FAR AS HE KNEW NOTHING WAS BEING DONE AT MOMENT ON THESE ITEMS. HE PROMISED MORE DEFINITIVE ANSWER FOLLOWING CHECK WITH TOP LEADERSHIP OF MFA.

2. ON MORE GENERAL THEME OF PREPARATIONS FOR BELGRADE 77, LIEDERMANN OBSERVED THAT THERE HAS BEEN VERY LITTLE WORK ON CSCE MATTERS IN MFA IN LAST FEW MONTHS IN PART DUE TO VACATION SCHEDULES AND TO PENDING CHANGE IN FOREIGN MINISTERS. NEW FONMIN, WHO TAKES OVER OFFICIALLY ON OCTOBER 1, IS NOT EXPECTED TO BECOME IMMERSSED IN MFA ACTIVITIES UNTIL MID-OCTOBER FOLLOWING HIS RETURN FROM 31ST UNGA. THUS THERE PROBABLY WILL BE SLIPPAGE IN

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SCHEDULING OF NEXT ROUND OF CONSULTATIONS AMONG

NEUTRALS (FINLAND, SWEDEN, SWITZERLAND AND AUSTRIA)
WHICH NOW MORE LIKELY WILL BE HELD IN VIENNA IN LATE
FALL OR EARLY WINTER.

3. TEMPORARY HIATUS IN MFA PREPARATIONS FOR BELGRADE
77 IS ALSO DUE TO NUMBER OF PENDING IMPORTANT
PERSONNEL CHANGES, INCLUDING PROBABLE DEPARTURE TO
AMBASSADORSHIP AT THE HAGUE IN LATE FALL OF
MINISTER LIEDERMANN WHO HAS BEEN DRIVING FORCE IN MFA
ON CSCE MATTERS AND WHOSE REPLACEMENT HAS NOT YET BEEN
DESIGNATED.BUCHANAN

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